



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2829
PATENT
Customer Number 28,220
Attorney Docket No. 07553.0065**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Katsuya OKAMURA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2829
Application No.: 10/591,645) Examiner: Benitez, Joshua
Filed: September 5, 2006)
For: PROBE AND METHOD OF) Confirmation No.: 1797
MANUFACTURING PROBE)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2009, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include:

Mark Antonio Prelas, Galina Popovici, Louis K. Bigelow, *Handbook of industrial diamonds and diamond films*, page 1044 (1997).